

VZ PTO MEETING MINUTES

PTO Minutes April 10, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Lea Ryan @7:07 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to wave the reading of March minutes.
Approved by 1st Nicole Meyers 2nd Jenn Yocum

Board

Thank you for coming. Thank you to Dana Stancati for providing hospitality.

Special presentation:

Mr. Katz-technology presentation-new initiatives-district is trying to add as many access points as possible to make reliable signals, there will be 3 chrome carts. Each room has 5 ipads, can only use literacy applications. Each special ed and pull out rooms will have 3 chrome books. I pad cart, Destiny is a catalog and you will possibly be able to access Evesham library from home.

Mrs. Defeo-presentation on scholastic summer reading program-competition among schools all over the world, we were #15 in world 2 yrs ago and we are in the Scholastic Book of World records. If every student read 25 minutes a day we can reach million minute goal. Each student will make a pledge. Kids are all registered by Mrs. Defeo, they will receive a username and password. There is a free scholastic reading app, there is a summer reading challenge link on VZ website. Starts May 5 and ends September 30

Officers Reports

President-Lea Ryan

March Recap-Volleyball game 7 pm at Evans, Science Spectacular thank you to Marianne for organizing, 5th grade Colonial Day, Band/Orchestra Concert, PTO Expo

April Preview-PTO sponsored Magic Show April 11 at 6pm and 7:30pm, 1st show is sold out, 2nd show you can buy tickets at the door, spirit sticks will be sold, Skating Party April 17 at 6 pm (rescheduled from 2/13), Art Goes to School at end of the month, School Store 4/17 and 5/2, PJ's

1st VP-Katie Alexander-

PTO packets for Kindergarten registration put together.
PTO Happy Hour Evening is scheduled for 6/18 6:30-8:30 pm at PJ's in Cherry Hill

see committee reports section

2nd VP-Wendy Palfy

P.J.'s Night: Thank you so much for coming out. We did Awesome! Our profit for the night was \$350.00. It was great to see so many families in attendance. Sounds like a few families forgot to put their receipt in the decorated bucket, but overall I think it was successful.

Spring Spirit Sale: Everyone should have received their order forms. The sale will run until April 16th, but I will take orders until the 17th, which is our last day before spring break. I would like to process the orders over the break, so I will not accept any orders when the students return. Sorry.

I have received a lot of questions about the winter spirit items that we sold. We can only offer the Pride Pack for \$30.00. The Pride Pack consisted of a hoodie and sweatpants, so if you are interested in that, you can add it to your order form.

Upcoming:

Cicontes Fundraiser: Tuesday, April 29th. Cicontes is starting a new initiative. They want to give back to the community, and raise awareness that they are doing this every Tuesday. They have several local causes already signed up. They will donate 10% of their total daily sales, not just the VZ families. And there is no specific time. It is all day, lunch & dinner...includes eat in, take out and Delivery. So, I encourage everyone to order from Cicontes, and get your office to order lunch from them.

A Big "SAVE THE DATE" August 1 for the Riversharks game! It was so much fun last year. The kids had a blast, and so did the parents. I will probably start collecting money at the end of May. You will be able to pick up the tickets in the front office during the summer. The Riversharks were kind enough to provide Finley the Riverhshark to us, free of charge. Finley will visit the students during the Fun Fair.

Recording Secretary-Kim Kulinski Encourage all to sign-in.

Corresponding Secretary- (Katie reported) All thank you notes were mailed and delivered to science spectacular volunteers. Thank you notes and spirit sticks were delivered to all volleyball players.

Treasurer-Marianne Vandyk- Reviewed & detailed P&L statement see report.

Principal's Report-Miss McMullen-April 24 is take your child to work day, NJ-Ask in May, Showstoppers May and recorder concert. Thanks for all your help and support with snow this year. Fourth grade service project cleaned up courtyard and planted flowers.

Committee Reports

- **Art Goes to School-Nicole Meyers-**all parents are invited to attend, April 28-May 2.

- **School Store-Jini Webb-(Katie reported)** Next store is 4/17
- **Box Tops/Campbell Soup Labels/Capri Sun-** Sarah Barkow-(Katie reported) Next contest will be scheduled for after spring break
- **Fifth (5th) Grade Activities** –Ana Heras/Maria Ferguson-(Katie reported) Colonial Day was a huge success. The kids had a blast. Thank you to the fifth grade teachers and parents that helped makes the day fun for the kids. We are currently awaiting the RSVP's for Pasta Night. Scheduled for May 2. We need volunteer parents from 4th and 3rd grades. Pool party is June 16th but still awaiting confirmation of time.
- **Fun Fair-** Kerry Anyzek and Nicole Bailer-(Kerry reported) It is 30 days away, will do a walk through for game room with committee chair. Will ask parents for donations of cake, cupcake liners and sprinkles, etc. VZ will be here from 10-12 pm, and hopefully Finley. Kerry has received 90 donations and still waiting on a few more prizes. Trying to get a DeMasi's basket for outgoing 5th graders. I have received donations from Bottom Dollar \$200, BJ's \$25, Wegman's \$25, Herr's a case of chips, Utz's case of chips, Rita's water ice large igloo container, I will need another volunteer to help that day, so that if I have to leave the kitchen that person can manage until I return.
- **Hospitality** Dana Stancati and Arlene Harvey-(Dana) Has teacher appreciation luncheon on May 9.
- **Holiday/Secret Shop-** Nothing reported
- **Market Day** Jen Yocum & Lauren Gephart-(Jenn reported) next sale is delivered April 29 is pick up date will need volunteer for 1 hr from 5-6 pm
- **Membership/Room Reps-** JeanMarie Farkas-(Katie reported) No new members since last meeting. All of the assigned Room Reps for the Fun Fair Raffle Baskets have sent their
- **Newsletter-**nothing reported
- **Recreation** Bridget Nelson(Katie reported) skating party Thurs 6-8 CH skating rental, free from PTO, Ice cream social next month, May 30 all kindergarten registrants were given free coupon

School Board Liaison Sue Wilder-(Katie reported) Mr Scavelli gave an update on Teddy Bear Academy.....45 registrations in and we have 90 slots available. June 30 it opens. Open house went smoothly and many of the BOE members attended and gave positive feedback.

Reading recovery program was discussed and how successful it has been to many students.

Trish Everheart spoke of VZ science spectacular and how impressed she was with how the PTO puts it together and how the kids love this yearly event! Great job!

ETSD budget public hearing is Tuesday May 6 @6pm at DMS

Students recognized.

At public comment....a district employee and tax payer got up to speak to, the BOE and asked who was at the AJM insurance meeting and who was not and expressed her deep concern on political and personal agendas to those on the BOE. Trish Everheart, Lisa Mansfield, Joanne Harmon, Joe Fiscaro all stated no they were not there. Nichole Stone and David Silver stated yes and he explained that he was unaware of it being a meeting and was told other BOE and superintendent would be there....Lisa Mansfield spoke up and stated David would not do anything unethical and was blindsided. Joe DeJulius was not there. Sandy Student remained quiet and chose not to answer the question.

Next meeting April 16@ DMS

- **Science Spectacular**-Marianne-it went great!
- **Volunteer Recruitment**-Barb LaRue-Active recruitment for Fun Fair is in progress, we need 100 volunteers for success

Website-Krista Connor- nothing reported

- **Announcements:** **Lea**-Senior Citizen April 15, Evesham Ed Foundation trying spread the word about what they do, will be having an ed expo will form a committee to attend meetings VZ will have a booth at the expo. Annual district art show is **May**

Unfinished business, election is coming up in May. President Lea Ryan, 1st VP Katie Alexander, 2nd VP Wendy, Corresponding Secretary Lisa Thurow Treasurer is Joanne Litsky need nominations for recording secretary any nominations from the floor. Any one that is interested needs to submit in writing 20 days before

March Teacher Incentive Program Winners:

Raffle Winners- Nadia Bhami and Mrs. Defeo

Next Meeting

May 8 @ 7:00 pm VZ Library

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:33 p.m. and was passed unanimously.